

AMERICAN LEGION POST 3 THE COFFEY CUP

April 2019

YOUR OFFICERS

Commander – John York

Sr. Vice – Bob Courtemanche

Jr. Vice – Vacant

Adjutant – Don Vincent

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Dear Members, our next Monthly meeting will be held on 2 April 2019 at 19:00 at the Post Home. At the April meeting we will be honoring one of our members with certificate for 50 years of continuous membership. After the meeting the Post Historian will be taking a picture of all members present, officers need to be in dress uniform. This year the Legion and the Post are celebrating our 100 year anniversary.

The construction of the bar continues. The repairs the Membership approved at March meeting will begin the week of March 25. We still have a number of positions open Jr Vice, Etc. All committees need Seats filled. Remember this is your Post, if you want to see changes in the post you must get involved. Remember we hold Post elections at the May meeting, if we get 50 Members at the May meeting, we will give away \$50. Membership is a hot topic so get involved and recruit a Veteran. I will be at the Post Home between 16:00 & 17:00 on Mondays for any Member that has a question or wants to see the Post. Anyone can contact me by phone or. email.

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CHAPLAIN'S REPORT -



TRANSFER TO POST EVERLASTING

RAYMOND CHAPUT. WW2 VETERAN. TRANSFER DATE 03/10/19

MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE

COFFEY MASS HELD EACH YEAR FOR JAMESE. COFFEY

NAMESAKE OF OUR POST. MASS WILL BE HELD AT ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH, WEST HOLLIS ST., NASHUA. THE MASS WILL BE AT 10:00 A.M. ON **SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019**. ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. WE WILL MEET IN THE FOYER OF THE CHURCH. ATTIRE WILL BE CLASS A LEGION UNIFORM.

Ron Poirier PC

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SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT:

No Report

Let's Remember We Are All Veteran's Helping Veteran's

Bob Courtemanche

POST HISTORIAN'S REPORT

This month I digitally archived the post history folder for 1995-96.

Harlan Pierce was elected the commander of the James E. Coffey Post 3 at the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 1995.

Later that May, the James E. Coffey Post 3 held a ceremonial gathering to honor 35 over 50-year members of the post. A quote from the "Commanders Message" in the Jun 1995 Coffey Cup reads: "They came from near and far.

The gathering of 50-year members and their guests on Sunday, May 28, 1995 was a heartwarming, joyful, proud happening. Past Post Commander and Past State Commander, Walley Estes, and his daughter Rosalie (Reed Reed) traveled all the way from Fairfield, Ohio. Stanley Purines and his wife Theresa came from Gales Ferry, Connecticut.

The other 30 members and their guests all live in the Nashua area. Many had not seen each other for 30 to 40 years. There were another 30 or so members and their guests on hand to celebrate the recognition of belonging to the American Legion for over 50 years.

Everyone promised to return next year to welcome next year's group of 50-year members. They reminisced, they ate, and they danced. A big thank you to Tony Courounis for the music, George Clement, Gary Johnson, Tony Courounis, Peter Lyon for the decorations, and Betty Caron, Pat Harp, Nathalia Powell, Alice Angus and Marlene Courounis for the food. Master of Ceremonies was Past Commander Roland A. Caron. Congratulations to all," said Post Commander, Harlan Pierce.



Pictured in the photo are Post Commander, Harlan Pierce and 20 of the 30 members who were recognized. Seated front row Left to Right: Florence B. Daniels, Alexander Pappas, Stanley B. Purwinis, Edward P. Hutchins, Constantine N. Caros, Louis J. Prince, Albert Boyer, William T. Howard. Standing, Left to Right: Raymond Burns, John P. Sullivan, Albert A. Guerette, Post 3 Commander Harlan Pierce, Walley P. Estes, Lionel A. Forest, Julius P. Chaplick, Sylvio Gagnon, Benoit Lavoie, Calvin R. Durst, John H. Collins, Albert H. Coffey, Atty. Frank B. Clancy. Missing were: Gerald T. Clifford, Albert J. Deschenes, Robert A. Dionne, Ernest A. Duvarney, Raymond J. Kilbane, Robert S. Mercer, Royal E. Miller, Joseph H. Narkunas, John F. Norton, Robert J. Pinet, Paul L. Soucy, Thomas Stylianios, Hollis Van Amringe, and Attorney Russell Widener.

The 35th member of this exclusive group, Fred H. Green, died in early 1995.

You can reach the Post 3 history page on-line at <http://centennial.legion.org/new-hampshire/post3>. There is also link to the history on the Post 3 web site. Anyone that has a story or event that they feel is worthy of entry into the post history, please provide me with details and/or photos and I will add the event.

For God and Country,

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MEMBERSHIP -

GOAL FOR POST #3 IS (242)

MEMBERS PAID TO DATE 218 WHICH IS 90.08%

Renewals/ Gerard Chiasson , Paul Sorensen

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DISTRICT 2 MEETING:

The next District Meeting will be Spring Conference held on Thursday 22 April 2019 in Milford Post 23 @ 11 AM

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VETERANS COFFEE CLUB:

The Veterans Coffee Club is held every second Tuesday of the month. Next meeting is Tuesday, 9 April 2019, 2:00 pm at the Nashua Senior Center. Guest speakers will present information of interest to military veterans. Our Guest Speaker for the April Meeting will be **Al Montoya Jr. Medical Center Director from the Manchester VAMC.**

Join the group in the Coffee Talk Lounge. The talks are free and open to the public.

Hosted by Barney Barbera

Chairman, Mayors Veterans Council



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION (SAL)

SAL meeting is held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 PM

Membership Goal is 25 Members to date we have 13 Members renewed 52 %

If you would like to pay your dues, come to the next meeting on 9 April 2019.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (AUX)

Membership Chairman Just a note to say thank you to all who have renewed their membership for 2019. The memberships have been sent to Department. Our Goal for this year is 65 members. we now have 45 members. 69%

Our next meeting will be on April 2 2019 at the Legion @ 7:00 PM

The Department of New Hampshire welcomes all to attend our
Centennial Gala

Tickets are going fast!

Have your Post purchase a table/s.

This event only happens every 100 years.

"Groove Alliance" is one of the top show bands in the country.

Coat and tie, tuxedos....

Bill Roy NEC 603-315-5829



 THE AMERICAN LEGION
Centennial celebration
JUNE 22, 2019

DOUBLE TREE HOTEL
700 ELM STREET, MANCHESTER, NH
COCKTAILS 6PM, DINNER AND DANCING

Featuring
GROOVE ALLIANCE
New England's Premier Showband




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